# Department of Vermont Health Access

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## **Department - Mission**

Provide leadership for Vermont stakeholders to improve access, quality and cost effectiveness in health care reform.

Assist Medicaid members in accessing clinically appropriate health services.

Administer Vermont's public health insurance system efficiently and effectively.

Collaborate with other health care system entities in bringing evidence-based practices to Vermont Medicaid members.

#### Serving Vermonters while asking:

- How much did we do?
- How well did we do it?
- Is anyone better off?

### **Department – Who DVHA Serves**

#### In SFY 2016:

- More than one in three Vermonters were enrolled in public health insurance coverage programs.
- This represents 220,555 members served by DVHA, including 71,869 children.

Medicaid serves approx. 203,000 Vermonters.

- Primary source of coverage for 151,000 Vermonters.
- Partial or supplemental assistance for 52,000 Vermonters (e.g. premium assistance, Rx assistance, etc.).

# **Department - Implementation & Management**

DVHA is responsible for oversight, implementation and management of:

- Vermont's publicly funded health insurance programs
  - Medicaid
  - Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
  - Healthy Vermonters
  - VPharm
  - Long Term Care
- State's health insurance market place Vermont Health Connect
- Implementing payment and delivery system reform

# **Vermont's Medicaid Waiver – Role of DVHA**

- Vermont has a 1115 Demonstration approved by federal government called the <u>Global Commitment to Health</u>.
  - Began October 2005; Currently extended through December 2021.
- Provides the state with the financial and programmatic flexibility for broad public health coverage and more cost effective services.

## **Department - Organization**

DVHA				
<u>General</u>	Eligibility	<u>Claims Services</u>	Quality	<u>Projects</u>
Commissioner's Office	Health Access Eligibility & Enrollment (HAEEU)	ACO/APM Oversight	Blueprint	Electronic Health Record Incentive Program (EHRIP)
		Clinical Operations	Care Management	
Business Office  Data Management	Call Center (Maximus) Assistant Operations	Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) – Claims Processer	Coordination of Benefits	Health Information Technology and Health Information Exchange (HIT/HIE)
& Analytics Outreach/Education			Managed Care & Compliance	
Operational	Long-Term Care		Payment Reform	Medicaid
Support  Medicaid Support/	Vermont Health Connect	Provider & Member Relations	Pharmacy Management	Management Information System (MMIS)
Legal	Premium Processing (Wex Health)	Medicaid Reimbursement	Program Integrity	Health Services Enterprise (HSE)
Ombudsman			Quality Improvement	
			Vermont Chronic Care Initiative	Platform Integrated Eligibility (IE) Healthcare
				Projects

## Department - General

#### **DVHA**

#### <u>General</u>

Commissioner's Office

**Business Office** 

Data Management & Analytics

Outreach/Education

**Operational Support** 

Medicaid Support/Legal

Ombudsman

#### **Data Management and Analysis Unit:**

- Provides data analysis and reporting to federal government, state agencies, the legislature, and other stakeholders.
- Develops the annual Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Sets (HEDIS) for reporting.
- Performs regular provider network access assessments.

## **Department - Eligibility**

#### **DVHA**

#### **Eligibility**

Health Access Eligibility & Enrollment (HAEEU)

Call Center (Maximus)

**Assistant Operations** 

Long-Term Care

**Vermont Health Connect** 

Premium Processing (Wex Health)

#### Long Term Care (LTC) Unit:

- Determines financial eligibility for LTC services and supports.
- Works collaboratively with Department of Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) staff who determine clinical eligibility.
- Provides training and improved quality assurance as LTC applications have grown increasingly complex.

### **Department – Claims Services**

#### **DVHA**

#### **Claims Services**

ACO/APM Oversight

**Clinical Operations** 

Medicaid Management
Information System (MMIS)

– Claims Processer

Provider & Member Relations

Medicaid Reimbursement

#### **Clinical Operations Unit:**

- Monitors the quality, appropriateness, and effectiveness of healthcare services for members.
- Ensures efficient and timely processing of requests for services.
- Identifies over- and under-utilization of services through the prior authorization review process and case tracking.
- Performs quality improvement activities to enhance medical benefits for members.

## **Department - Quality**

#### **DVHA**

#### Quality

Blueprint

Care Management

**Coordination of Benefits** 

Managed Care & Compliance

**Payment Reform** 

**Pharmacy Management** 

**Program Integrity** 

Quality Improvement

Vermont Chronic Care Initiative

#### <u>Vermont Chronic Care Initiative (VCCI):</u>

- Supports Medicaid members with chronic health conditions and/or high utilization of medical services to access clinically appropriate healthcare information and services.
- Coordinates efficient delivery of healthcare to these members by addressing barriers to care, gaps in evidence-based treatment and duplication of services.
- Educates and empowers members to eventually self-manage their conditions.

## Department - Projects

#### **DVHA**

#### **Projects**

Electronic Health Record Incentive Program (EHRIP)

Health Information Technology and Health Information Exchange (HIT/HIE)

Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS)

Health Services Enterprise (HSE) Platform

Integrated Eligibility (IE) Healthcare Projects

## Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS):

- Claims processing system.
- Vermont processes over \$1 billion in Medicaid claims annually.
- Allows efficient and secure sharing of appropriate data with Vermont agencies, providers, and other stakeholders involved in a member's case and care.